

PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENTS.

MYSORE DISTRICT.

Notification dated 27th May 1913.

Notice is hereby given that sealed tenders will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Mysore District, up to 25th of June 1913, for the exclusive privilege of collecting sandalwood and ground-hidden sandalwood roots in Hunsur and Heggaddevankote Taluks to the extent of 1,000 tons or more and carting the same to the Hunsur as well as Seringapatam Kotis.

Tenders may be given for any one or groupes of hoblis in Hunsur Taluk and north and south of Kapila river in Heggaddevankote Taluk.

2. The contract will be for twelve months ending with 30th June 1914.

3. Tenders should specify the name of the hobli or hoblis and the rate per ton offered separately for sandalwood and ground-hidden roots to be carted to any of the above two kotis.

4. Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 50 for each hobli in currency notes as earnest money, in default of which, the tender will be rejected. Covers containing the tenders should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Mysore, duly registered, insured and superscribed "Tender for the collection of sandalwood or ground-hidden roots" as detailed in para 1.

5. The final acceptance of any tender will rest with the District Forest Officer who does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender and to assign any reason whatever for rejecting any.

6. Tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer in the District Forest Office at Mysore at 2 P.M. on 25th June 1913 in presence of such of the tenderers as may be present.

7. The acceptance of any tender will be duly communicated to the successful tenderer and the earnest money of the other tenderers will be returned to them.

8. The successful tenderer shall execute a bond upon the terms enumerated here below within a week of the receipt of the order and shall deposit in Government Savings Bank Rs. 200 in the name of the District Forest Officer as earnest money for the due fulfilment of the contract. The deposit referred to here shall also include the earnest money adverted to in para 4 above.

Conditions.

(a) The collection of sandalwood and ground-hidden roots shall be extended to all State Forests, District Forests, Amrut Mahal kavals, assessed and unassessed Government lands, and to such of Inam, Jodi, Kayamgutta and Sarvamanya villages of the above two taluks of which the holders are not entitled to the sandalwood by sannads or judicial decrees.

(b) With regard to removal of sandalwood from private holdings, only such of the trees as have been marked by the departmental subordinates shall be removed with previous permission.

(c) The collection shall be confined to dead, standing or fallen trees only and to ground-hidden roots. On no account green and mature trees shall be uprooted. Axes should not, as far as possible, be used in the uprootal and rough preparation of sandalwood.

(d) The sandalwood uprooted shall be roughly dressed in the jungle leaving a thin layer less than an inch of whitewood and shall be carted to the kotis. Each consignment to the koti shall be covered by a passport issued by the departmental subordinates.

(e) The contractor shall further bind himself to collect and cart not less than 50 tons per month to the koti or any larger quantity that may be insisted upon.

(f) The successful tenderer shall see that no injury is caused to the State Forests or property situate therein in the course of the operations and in the event of any such thing occurring through his negligence or his men he shall be made liable as per departmental rules.

(g) For the breach of any of the above conditions the contractor shall forfeit the earnest money referred to in para 8 *supra* and all moneys due to him for collection, etc., made. The contract also shall be liable to be cancelled.

(h) Payment of charges shall be made as per procedure now in practice upon the sandalwood and ground-hidden roots received in the kotis and duly weighed out there.

Abstract Notification dated 20th May 1913.

It is hereby notified that a sale of timber and lac in the Mysore Woodyard, Nanjangud Depots, and Seringapatam Koti on the 11th, 10th and 12th of June 1913, respectively.

For further particulars see page No. 782, Part II of the *Mysore Gazette*, No. 22, dated 29th May 1913.

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